

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-00256-CKK**

BEST v. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
Assigned to: Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 01/30/2019  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
01/30/2019	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5917412) filed by EMMA BEST. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons DOJ, # <u>3</u> Summons USADC, # <u>4</u> Summons USAG)(Moss, Bradley) (Entered: 01/30/2019)
01/31/2019		Case Assigned to Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly. (zef, ) (Entered: 01/31/2019)
01/31/2019	<u>2</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zef, ) (Entered: 01/31/2019)
02/07/2019	<u>3</u>	ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR CASES ASSIGNED TO JUDGE COLLEEN KOLLAR-KOTELLY. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on 02/7/19. (DM) (Entered: 02/07/2019)
02/08/2019	<u>4</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Paul Cirino on behalf of DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 02/08/2019)
02/25/2019	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 2/4/2019 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit DOJ receipt)(Moss, Bradley) (Entered: 02/25/2019)
02/25/2019	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General

		02/04/2019. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit USAG receipt)(Moss, Bradley) (Entered: 02/25/2019)
02/25/2019	<u>7</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 2/4/2019. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 3/6/2019. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit USADC receipt)(Moss, Bradley) (Entered: 02/25/2019)
03/06/2019	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 03/06/2019)
03/07/2019	<u>9</u>	ORDER. The parties shall file the schedule not later than <b>APRIL 6, 2019</b> . Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on March 7, 2019. (lcckk1) (Entered: 03/07/2019)
03/07/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: The parties shall file the schedule not later than 4/6/2019. (dot) (Entered: 03/08/2019)
04/05/2019	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 04/05/2019)
04/08/2019		MINUTE ORDER: The Court has received the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, which discusses the large volume of potentially responsive records in this matter, the parties' efforts to "refine or narrow" the scope, and Plaintiff's request for a fee waiver. Accordingly, the Court shall adopt the parties' proposal that they submit a further Joint Status Report by <b>MAY 6, 2019</b> . That Report shall identify the status of Defendant's search and such further matters, including a proposed briefing schedule, as the parties see fit to include. <b>The parties shall submit a further Joint Status Report no later than every thirty days thereafter, unless and until the Court orders otherwise.</b> Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on April 8, 2019. (lcckk1) (Entered: 04/08/2019)
04/08/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 5/6/2019. (dot) (Entered: 04/08/2019)
05/06/2019	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 05/06/2019)
05/08/2019		MINUTE ORDER: The Court has received the parties' <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, which discusses Defendant's further progress in search and review of documents and anticipates identifying a proposed production schedule shortly. In light of the forthcoming proceedings, the Court shall adjust its timeline for rolling Joint Status Reports and shall adopt the parties' proposal that they submit a further Joint Status Report by <b>JUNE 19, 2019</b> . That Report shall identify the status of Defendant's search, Defendant's proposed production schedule, and such further matters as the parties see fit to include. <b>The parties shall submit a further Joint Status Report no later than every thirty days thereafter, unless and until the Court orders otherwise.</b> Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on May 8, 2019. (lcckk1) (Entered: 05/08/2019)
05/08/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 6/19/2019. That Report shall identify the status of Defendant's search, Defendant's proposed production schedule, and such further matters as the parties see fit to include. (dot) (Entered: 05/10/2019)
06/19/2019	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 06/19/2019)
06/24/2019		MINUTE ORDER: The Court has received the parties' <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, which identifies Defendant's further progress in review and production of documents. In light of forthcoming proceedings, the Court shall adopt the parties' proposal that they submit a further Joint Status Report by no later than <b>AUGUST 19, 2019</b> . That report shall confirm whether Defendant has completed its production and identify a proposed briefing schedule, if necessary. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on June 24, 2019. (lcckk1) (Entered: 06/24/2019)
06/24/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 8/19/2019. (dot) (Entered: 06/24/2019)
08/15/2019	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 08/15/2019)

08/16/2019		MINUTE ORDER: The Court has received the parties' <u>13</u> Joint Status Report, which identifies Defendant's further progress in review and production of documents. The Court shall adopt the parties' proposal that they submit a further Joint Status Report by no later than <b>SEPTEMBER 30, 2019</b> . That report shall confirm whether Defendant has completed its production and identify a proposed briefing schedule, if necessary. <b>The parties shall submit a further Joint Status Report no later than every forty-five days thereafter, unless and until the Court orders otherwise.</b> Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on August 16, 2019. (lcckk1) (Entered: 08/16/2019)
08/16/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 9/30/2019. (kt) (Entered: 08/16/2019)
09/30/2019	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 09/30/2019)
11/15/2019	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Cirino, Paul) (Entered: 11/15/2019)
11/19/2019		MINUTE ORDER: The Court has received the parties' <u>15</u> Joint Status Report, which identifies Defendant's further progress in review and production of documents. The Court shall adopt the parties' proposal that they submit a further Joint Status Report by no later than <b>JANUARY 15, 2020</b> . <b>Subsequently, the parties shall resume submitting a further Joint Status Report no later than every forty-five days thereafter, unless and until the Court orders otherwise.</b> Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on November 19, 2019. (lccck1) (Entered: 11/19/2019)
11/19/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 1/15/2020. (dot) (Entered: 11/20/2019)